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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of

GUNARATNAM et al.

Serial No. 10/090,173

Filed: March 6, 2002

For: MASK AND HEADGEAR CONNECTOR



Atty. Ref.: 4398-211

TC/A.U.: 3743

Examiner: Andrea M. Ragonese

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March 24, 2006

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**REQUEST TO WITHDRAW NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT**

In response to the Notice of Abandonment dated March 20, 2006, Applicants respectfully request that the Notice of Abandonment be withdrawn since an Amendment along with a petition for a two month extension of time was filed on March 22, 2004, in response to the October 22, 2003 Office Action. A copy of the March 22, 2004 Amendment as well as a copy of the date stamped postal filing receipt from the Patent Office is attached hereto.

It is believed that no fees are necessary in order to effect withdrawal of the Notice of Abandonment and consideration of the March 22, 2004 Amendment. However, the Patent Office is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 14-1140 in the event that any additional fees are deemed necessary.

Prompt and favorable consideration of the March 22, 2004 Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments:

March 22, 2004 Amendment

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**XX Amendment**

☐ **Address Indication Form**

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**RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER**

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

☐ **Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.****Fees are attached as calculated below:**

Total effective claims after amendment 47 minus highest number  
previously paid for 47 (at least 20) = 0 x \$ 18.00 \$ 0.00

Independent claims after amendment 11 minus highest number  
previously paid for 10 (at least 3) = 1 x \$ 86.00 \$ 86.00

If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time; add \$290.00 (ignore improper) \$ 0.00

Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this  
paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$420.00/2 months; \$950.00/3 months) \$ 420.00

Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00 \$ 0.00

☐ First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$770.00) \$ 0.00

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☐ Submission attached

**Subtotal \$ 506.00**

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☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith

Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00) \$ 0.00

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**TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$ 506.00**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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